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TAGS: PGOV, PINT, CA

SUBJECT: MANITOBA POLITICS -- LAST WEEK OF PROVINCIAL ELECTION  
ACTIVITIES

1. AS THE MANITOBA PROVINCIAL CAMPAIGN ENTERS ITS LAST WEEK, IT IS NOTEWORTHY THAT PUBLIC INTEREST HAS NOT REPEAT NOT REACHED A FEVER PITCH. INDEED, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF MAYOR STEVE JUBA S PERSONAL ENDORSEMENT OF PREMIER SCHREYER (NOT REPEAT NOT OF THE NDP), IT HAS BEEN A PEDESTRIAN CAMPAIGN. WITH NEITHER THE TORIES NOR THE NDP TERRIBLY CONFIDENT, AND THE STRUGGLING, FADING LIBERALS CONDUCTING A GENTLEMANLY, SOPHISTICATED CAMPAIGN, NOTHING MUCH HAS HAPPENED..

2. TUESDAY NIGHT, THE THREE PARTY LEADERS MET IN A CBC-TELEVISED DEBATE. CAUTION SEEMED TO PREVAIL AS ED SCHREYER, STERLING LYON AND CHARLIE HUBAND NEITHER SHONE NOR STUMBLER DURING THE HOUR-LONG EXPOSURE ON THE TUBE.

3. IT IS DOUBTFUL IF ANYTHING EXCITING IS GOING TO HAPPEN BETWEEN NOW AND OCTOBER 11. WITH ALL MEDIA ADVERTISING CEASING ONE DAY BEFORE THE ELECTION, AND THANKSGIVING DAY (I.E. CANADIAN THANKSGIVING) ON OCTOBER 10, VOTERS WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO  
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EFLECT IN AN ATMOSPHERE OF SOME SERENITY ABOUT THE BLESSINGS OR EVILS WHICH THE SCHREYER GOVERNMENT HAS WROUGHT IN THE LAST EIGHT YEARS.

4. WE CONTINUE TO THINK IT WILL BE A VERY CLOSE FINISH WITH SCHREYER AND HIS NDP BEING RETURNED, BUT THIS TIME WITH A MINORITY

GOVERNMENT.

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